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For: METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR DEVICE  
ACCESS FAIRESS IN FIBRE CHANNEL  
ARBITRATED LOOP SYSTEMS

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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116**

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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This is in response to the final Office Action dated February 20, 2008, for which a response was due on May 20, 2008, and for which a one-month extension of time is respectfully requested to extend the time for response to June 20, 2008. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims in light of the amendments and following remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

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**Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.**